



Central United Methodist Church
(Founded 1797)

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*Welcome to Central United
Methodist
Church Morning Worship*

4th Sunday after the Epiphany
January 29, 2012 10:45 a.m.

Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons.



The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”
-arr. Hais Mardirosian
*Greeting 2 Peter 1:2; Psalm 103:1-5

May grace and peace be yours in abundance in the knowledge of God and of Jesus Christ our Lord.

We have come to lift up our brothers and sisters before the Lord that they might receive healing.

Let those who seek God’s healing open their hearts to the Spirit of the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

And all the is within me, bless God’s holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all God’s benefits.

The Lord forgives all our iniquity, and heals all our diseases.

The Lord redeems our lives from the pit, and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.

God satisfies us with good as long as we live so that our youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

*Hymn 57 “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*Opening Prayer *UM Book of Worship*

**Almighty and everlasting God,
who can banish all affliction both of soul and of body,
show forth Your power upon those in need, that by Your mercy
they may restored to serve you afresh in holiness of living,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Please stand as you are able*

Central United Methodist Church Is:	In Ministry
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A vital congregation of diverse people • Centered in faithful worship of God • Growing as disciples of Jesus Christ • Moving out in compassionate service 	General Ministers.....305 Pastor.....Stephanie M. Sault Minister of Music/organist.....Sherry von Oeyen Church Secretary.....Dana F. Wade Child’s Play Director.....Jo Ann Black Custodian.....Janet Nuckoles Retired Pastor.....David D. Reed Professor MBC.....Kenneth A. Beals District Superintendent.....D. Michael Houff Resident Bishop.....Charlene Payne Kammerer

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination

(After the reading of the Scripture Lesson the reader will say:

"This is the Word of the Lord." The congregation responds: "Thanks be to God")

First Reading.....Isaiah 43:1-3a, 18-19, 25 (Pew Bible, Page 585)

Psalter 824.....Psalms 103:1-18

Second Reading.....Acts 3:1-10 (Pew Bible, Page 886)

Musical Offering....."Praise His Holy Name"
-arr. Keith Hampton

*Gospel ReadingMark 1:21-28 (Pew Bible, Page 812)

SermonRev. Dr. Stephanie M. Sault

Response to the Word

Confession and Pardon

The Scriptures tell us to bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ.

As your sister in Christ, I ask you now, are you at peace with God,
or is there anything in your life that causes you to feel separated from God
and less than the full person God calls you to be? *(Silent Confession)*

The Scriptures tell us not to be anxious about our lives or about tomorrow.

Are there anxieties that cause you to feel separated from the peace that God promises?
(Silent Confession)

Response- p.2058 "Shepherd Me, O God"

Words of Pardon

Leader to the People: Hear the good news; Christ died for us while we were yet
sinners; that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Welcome

Announcements

-To Our Guests-

We are delighted to have you worship with us, and we invite you to participate in Communion and the life of the church. To become a member of this fellowship, please talk with the pastor. Following the service will be a time of light refreshments and fellowship. Please join us so that we might get better acquainted.

-Attendance Slip/Friendship Register-

Please take a moment and sign the attendance slip in your pew and, if you are a member here, please introduce yourself to anyone who might be visiting with us today. Your warmth and hospitality will be a blessing in someone's life today.

-Children-

Children are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Following the Children's Focus, children under 6 years of age may go to the play room. Later, during the Doxology, they will be brought back into the Sanctuary to participate with their parents in the Great Thanksgiving and receiving of the Lord's Supper. We welcome the participation of the youngest members of the family of faith.

-Prayer-

The Communion Rail is open for prayer at any time, but particularly during the pastoral prayer, during Communion, during the final hymn, and after the worship service. If you would like someone to pray with you please let the pastor know.

-Serving Today-

Greeters: Vicki & Jim Printy **Reader:** Benham Black

Communion: Tom & Connie Davis; Patty Mills & Caroline Jones

-Ushers-

Bob Markley, Vince Ennis, Sam Richardson, Ken Beals, Richard Hamrick,
Jim Clemmer, John Ambrogi, Ben True, Eric Stumb, Bill Bushman,
Josh Gutshall, Tommy Rosen

Food Pantry Requests:

sugar, peaches, pineapple, fruit cocktail, tuna,
canned chicken, vienna sausages, laundry & dish detergent

Opportunities this Week at

Sunday (01/29)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Children's S.S.
 10:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 10:45 a.m. Worship
 4:00 p.m. Special Speaker to Celebrate Black History Month

Monday (01/30)

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
 5:00 p.m. Weight Watchers

Tuesday (01/31)

9:00 a.m. Child's Play

Wednesday (02/01)

10:00 a.m. Food Pantry

6:00 p.m. Women's NA
 7:00 p.m. Hand-bell Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 p.m. Dual Recovery Group

Thursday (02/02)

9:00 a.m. Child's Play
 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
 7:00 p.m. NA

Friday (02/03)

10:00 a.m. Lego League
 6:30 p.m. NA

Saturday (02/04)

8:30 a.m. UMMen Mtg. Rowe's
 6:30 p.m. Narcotic's Anonymous

-Phone Prayer Chain-

If you are interested in being part of the phone prayer chain ministry, please contact Dana in the office. We want to include everyone who wants to be a part of this important ministry of the church.

Save the date

Traditionally the UMMen's February meeting has included wives/guests. We are doing this again, so please mark your calendars for **Feb 4**---we need a good turnout for this meeting.

-Our Stewardship-

(January 22, 2012) Attendance: 82

Income received toward budgeted expenses: \$6156.00

Fellowship/Samaritan Fund: \$36.00

Memorials: \$20.00

People to the leader: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

Leader and people: **Glory to God. Amen.**

Response- p.186 "Alleluia"

The Peace The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prayer (Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.)

Offertory....."Sing Joyfully To God"
 -arr. Robert J. Powell

*Congregational Response.....Hymn 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanksgiving Over the Oil

A Reading - James 5:14-16a

Let us pray.

O God, the giver of health and salvation, we give thanks to You for the gift of oil. As Your holy apostles anointed many who were sick and healed them, so pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on this gift, that those who in faith and repentance receive this anointing may be made whole; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*Hymn 262 "Heal Me, Hands of Jesus"

Prayers for Healing and Wholeness with Anointing and/or Laying on of Hands

May the power of God's indwelling presence heal you of all illnesses- Of body, mind, spirit, and relationships- that you may serve God with a loving heart. **Amen.**

Prayer after Anointing and/or Laying on of Hands

Almighty God,

We pray that our brothers and sisters

may be comforted in their suffering, and made whole.

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**When they are afraid, give them courage;
 When they are weak, grant them your strength;
 When they are afflicted, afford them patience;
 When they are lost, offer them hope;
 When they are alone, move us to their side;
 when death comes, open Your arms to receive them.
 In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
 Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebration of Holy Communion.....Musical Setting C, Pages 21-22

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come,
 thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

Breaking the Bread and Giving the Cup

Sending Forth

*Hymn 382 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

*Blessing and Sending Forth

**The Lord who heals all your iniquity bless and keep you;
 The face of the Lord who heals all your afflictions
 shine upon you and be gracious to you;
 the light of the countenance of the Lord who redeems your life
 be lifted upon you and give you peace. Amen.**

*Congregational Response: Hymn 143..... “On Eagles Wings”

**And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
 make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God’s hand.**

*Postlude..... “All Glory Be to God on High”
 -arr. Georg Bohm

A PRAYER OF PROTECTION

Loving Lord, as I begin this journey into a prayer-filled life, please be with me—guarding and guiding. Protect me, O God, from all evil. Surround me with the light of Christ; cover me with the blood of Christ; seal me with the cross of Christ. This I ask in the name of Christ. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Lord Jesus Christ, when I read the gospel stories I am touched by your healing power. You healed sick bodies to be sure, but you did so much more. You healed the spirit and the deep inner mind. Most of all I am touched by your actions of acceptance that spoke healing into those who lived on the margins of life—shoved aside by the strong and the powerful. Speak your healing into me, Lord—body and mind and soul. Most of all, heal my sense of worthlessness. My head tells me that I am of infinite value to you but my heart cannot believe it. Heal my heart, Jesus, heal my heart. Amen.

My dear precious child, come sit with me awhile. Others do not value you because they do not understand. They value only the most trivial of things—power, strength, beauty, wealth, intelligence, influence. You do not need those things to gain my acceptance and my love. I call you blessed just because you are. Come close and receive my blessing. Let your heart feel the warmth of my healing. And now, my child, never despise what I have called blessed.

LET YOUR HEALING LIGHT SHINE

Let your healing light shine, O God. Give doctors unusual skill in the healing arts. Give researchers success in curing diseases. Give counselors insight and healing love. Give pastors discernment and tender compassion. Give social workers courage and boundless hope. Let your healing light shine, O God. Amen.